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DOER,

The BESS RFP should not limit the participation of any BESS projects that align with the goal of state statute, unless they are prohibited from participating by statute. The overall goal of the statute and the fundamental test for contract award are the same: deploy BESS in a way that saves ratepayers' money. For this reason, projects should not be required to qualify for participation in the ISO-NE markets. Any project that demonstrates it is reasonably capable of saving ratepayers' money should be allowed to participate in the RFP.

Many people see it as unnecessary to allow these types of BESS projects to submit proposals for consideration, because people don't think they will be successful. If none are successful, then nothing is lost by allowing them to submit. However, if they are not allowed to submit, there will be no way to quantify the missed opportunity for ratepayer savings, because there will be no information. Even if none of these projects are successful, the ways that they fail could provide the DOER with valuable information. This may provide direction that informs policy changes that are needed to unlock the ratepayer benefits of a more diverse deployment of distributed BESS.

Thank you,
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